

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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FILED:	November 21, 2000	) EXAMINER:	MENDEZ, Manuel A.
TITLE:	SAFETY MECHANISMS TO PREVENT ACCIDENTAL PATIENT INJECTION AND METHODS OF SAME		
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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION AND  
RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION OF JULY 18, 2007**

Dear Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Final Office Action dated July 18, 2007 in the above application. Further examination of the application is respectfully requested in light of the arguments submitted herein. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims. It is respectfully submitted that entry of the following Response will place the pending claims in condition for allowance.

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (37 C.F.R. § 1.114)**

Withdrawal of the July 18, 2007 final rejection and continued examination of the above-referenced Application under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is respectfully requested. In connection with this request, please find payment in the amount of \$405 (as required for a small entity under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)) enclosed herewith to pay the applicable fee. If any additional fee is deemed payable (or overpayment creditable) in respect of this communication, please charge or credit such a fee to Deposit Account No. 13-0019.

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**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6.